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With this issue we start our fifth year in guidance of this Journal—may we say "New Series" of Popular Stamps, as there were three volumes, or three years of publication under our predecessor, as a club paper—two last years of which we were its printers. All told, first indirectly, and latterly more intimately we have had six years association with this "baby" of ours. Been some hard work, and a bit of worry—yet, the youngster responded—took some petting, a bit of coaxing—a lot of affection. Today it's a lusty child—and we like it. And a lot of others like it with us. When we took over in 1941 there were 86 paid subscribers. We published 650 perfect copies for our first issue, 500 of which went out as free samples. Last issue we printed 1538 perfect copies, all of which went to paying subscribers except a few dozen publisher's usual spare copies. (Paper rationing, as of last two years, dosen't allow us to overrun by the hundred, or conduct extensive circulation building campaigns).

Have we done anything for philately? We are not presuming other than to say that our ambition has been and continues to be mainly: the bringing together of everything we can secure and consider fitting that is connected with Canadian philately, past and present, and record it in the printed word between the monthly covers of Popular Stamps. That, in a nutshell is our aim.

Some of that which we have published has been covered by other authors, in other wordage, in other journals gone by. Philately is not an avocation of recent years. Many of our subscribers are in their seventies, and as such were collecting stamps when many of us today were wearing three-cornered pants. To them the old-time themes we cover will not be new, save such more recently discovered angles which may be added. However, there is a later generation of collectors who also read Popular Stamps. To many of them who never saw those earlier writings on these older subjects, the publishing today of articles on such will be new to them. There is a glory and tradition of the past connected with any occupation or following that merits recognition and should be set down in print—along with the record of the happenings of the present.

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ERROR IN ARTICLE HEADING

We note in a first forme printed for this issue that the heading of the Magazine article on Page 8 fails to clear the author's point in his first paragraph. Our heading setter used the abbreviation "St." for "Saint" John, when the longer form of spelling should have been used. We regret this oversight.

U. S. POSTAL NOTE ON SALE

Postal notes went on sale at the 1800 first-class post offices throughout the United States on February 1, 1945. They are in denominations of 0$, $1, $2, $3, $4, $5, $6, $7, $8, $9, and $10. Eighteen denomination of stamps are issued in connection with the postal notes: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90 cents.

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(Since above went into type we have received a first day issue of above from Mr. H. S. Hopkins, Washington, D.C., but regret that space forbids special description, other than that the postal note stamp is the same size as the regular postal stamp, and the note itself is on heavy watermarked paper.)

B.N.A.P.S. ELECTION

Since its inception a year ago, the British North America Philatelic Society has grown widely and includes many well known names among the more prominent Canadian and U.S. philatelists who specialize in BNA. Results of the first regular election have been made public by the Committee on Elections and the following group will guide the organization for the ensuing year: President: W. R. Hoffman, Vice president: J. R. Barraclough, Treasurer: W. C. Peterman, Secretary: J. Levine, Board of Governors: Walter Pollock, H. R. Meyers, N. Bond, D. C. Meyerson, F. H. Odell, I. C. Morgan, A. K. Grimmer.

Future meetings of the New York chapter will be held at the Collectors Club, 22 East 35th St. on the first Tuesday of each month, and all members are cordially invited to attend any of these meetings. Any one desiring information regarding the Society and its activities should get in touch with the Publicity Manager, Roy W. Trickey, 12 State St. Towanda, Penna.

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THE HALF CENT, MAPLE LEAVES OF CANADA, 1897

Scott 166

BY DR. ALFRED WHITEHEAD

An examination of large mint blocks and complete sheets of this stamp has produced unexpectedly interesting results. I have found:

(1) Several good re-entries;
(2) Many slighter re-entries;
(3) Some good frame-line varieties;
(4) The important fact that the left pane may be found in three states, and the right pane at least in two.

I had known for some time that the left pane could be found in two states, but a moment's glance at a complete pane in the fine collection of Mr. Napier Smith, well-known ornithologist and keen philatelist, told me that here was still another state, and the first, undoubtedly.

According to Jarrett, only one plate was used, producing 2,000,000 stamps in its short life. Although Jarrett does not say so, there were two panes of 100 subjects each. There was no marginal paper between the panes. As was the case with other plates (not all) used for the 'Maple Leaf' and 'Numeral' issues, the Post Office panes of 100 were made by separating the centre vertical perforations.

The chief features of the three states of the left pane are these:

First State;

Imprint: Only part of the imprint —"OTTAWA—No. 1"—found in full over both panes in states 2 and 3, is seen. This is the word "OTTAWA", over the 10th stamp. The remainder, "No. 1", would be over the first stamp of the right pane, first state, which I have not yet seen.

Re-entries:

No. 1: A good re-entry, with clear doubling of upper and lower left outside frame. "TAG" of "POSTAGE" and "HAL. . .N. ." of "HALF CENT" also show traces of re-entry, quite marked in the lower "A". This is the best re-entry of the first state.

The 3-Cent Numeral, similar to ½-Cent Maple Leaf with the exception that numerals appear in lower corners instead of maple leaves.

No. 6: A good re-entry. The oval base of the bust is double, as is the lowest line of shading and bottom frame line. The doubling is not bold but quite clear.

No. 7: Similar to No. 6, but far less marked.

Guide dots:

A faint but clear guide-dot inside the right frame, near the centre, will be found on 31 and 41. Similar dots but outside the frame, near the centre on 61, 71, 81, 91.

Frame-line varieties:

There is a clear extension of the base to the right on 67, a slightly curved graver slip which extends to the S.W. of 68. No. 95 also has a clear extension at the N.E., being a bold graver slip to the right in recutting the top line. There are suspicions of frame-recutting elsewhere, chiefly in the base-lines and corners

The Napier Smith sheet is evidently an early impression; the print is sharp and clear everywhere and the colour is deep black.

Left pane, second state:

Imprint: The full imprint, "OTTAWA—No. 1" is now over the 5th. and 6th. stamps. It had been found, evidently, when the full sheet of 200 stamps was separated into panes of 100 by tearing the central perforations, that the split imprint of the first state had an unsatisfactory appearance.

The pieces from this state in my collection, a full sheet and some large blocks, show that the plate was beginning to wear, mainly in the

framelines. Even in the first state, as before marked, it can be seen that the frames in some subjects had been strenghtened. As plate-wear developed, the frames, especially the base lines, began to weaken, perceptibly in 32, 36, 44, 61, 71, 84.

The frame-lines of the "Maple leaf" and "Numeral" issues should be studied. They reveal that they gave much trouble to the engravers and workmen. This trouble lasted into the Edwardian period, for I have recently found a striking recut base on the 2c. K. E. The still unsolved riddle of the '3-line' frames of the 2c. 'Numeral' stamp especially calls for further consideration and deep thought.

Re-entries, guide-dots and **frame line varieties,** as in state 1

Left pane, third state:

Imprint: as in 2nd state.

Guide dots: found on 61, 71, 81, 91, only

Frame line Varieties: as in 1st state. The broken frames of 2nd state are found no longer.

Re-entries: Throughout the pane there are undoubted signs that it had experienced considerable repair, mostly re-entering. This was not done skilfully, as many re-entries, slight, medium or good, may be found. The growing number of specialists who are studying the stamps of this period (and the 1c. and 2c., "Numeral" are probably the most repaying of all Canadian issues) are forced to conclude that the British American Bank Note Company had then some unskilful or careless workmen as well as slack inspectors, or that new methods of laying down the plates (probably involving the use of new and strange machinery) were being used.

No. 1: as in 1st state, but fainter. This subject was evidently left untouched and is showing plate wear.

Nos. 6 and 7, as in 1st state, but fainter.

Of the new re-entries, good or medium ones may be found on 3, 13, 22, 32, 58. Slight re-entries, all constant, are on 10, 11, 12, 16, 18, 19, 21, 25, 26, 28, 31, 34, 37, 41, 48, 51, 52, 54, 56, 62, 64, 78, 80, 92, 93, 95, 96, 99, 100.

The finest re-entry of all, the best of this value, is found on 69. In this, a bold line obliquely doubles the lower left outer frame on the inside. This is the chief feature, and at first sight would appear to be a marked graver slip but for the fact that it is repeated—less boldly—in the doubling of the right outer frame. It is certainly a curious re-entry, curious because of its marked obliquity. Most of the lettering shows faint traces of re-entry, especially "STAGE" of "POSTAGE" (the marks on "E" are very clear), and "HALF" . .N." This, the most prominent feature of the 3rd and last state, may be extremely rare. I believe it has remained unchronicled until now.

Right pane.

First state: (with split imprint) I have not seen this.

Second state:

Re-entries: 2, 4, 32, 61, show medium examples. No. 51 is a good re-entry. The leaf veins in N.E., S.E. and S.W., are clearly doubled. No. 79 is still better, and although not bold, it is clear and well worth looking for. It is the best on this pane. The base is partially doubled, also the left side at S.W.; the outer oval, especially at the base, and some of the lettering, particularly "STAGE" in "POSTAGE", are affected.

Slight traces of re-entry are on 1, 3, 10, 12, 19, 22, 41, 42, 82, 91, 92, 97, 99.

Frame line varieties: Quite a number show defective outer frames—the base generally; 50 and 89 are the best examples. Bold slips of the graver may be found at S.E. of 19 and 29 in the form of clear extensions of the base.

My collection includes all of the above varieties in duplicate or triplicate; their constancy is undoubted.

A Torontonian writes in that NelsBond may find that there's more Whithorse Stars around than the find he made as someone was offering them in Toronto not so long ago.

REVENEWS
BY BILL STAMP.

Ole Bill wants it distinctly understood that should he, in the subsequent paragraphs, seem fretful and caviling, his complaints are in no wise intended to discourage those of you who have not already done so from attempting to get a copy of Dr. Holmes' new Handbook.

The pubication of this long-awaited volume is easily the philatelic event of the 1944 it topped like icing on a cake, exceeding in importance the Marks publication of a Federal issues revenue album. Thus, it remains a "must" book despite the objections Ole Bill will—exercising his usual crabbiness—grouch about until a revised edition silences him.

Let us try to be fair; let us weigh pros and cons? Very well. What, as revenueurotics, can we find to cheer about in the Holmes volume?

Well, to begin with, the new Holmes makes a bold frontal attack on the vexing problem of enumerating the many War Tax Excise overprints on Tobacco stamps. Such an effort must be deemed commendable, no matter how incomplete a "first list" will inevitably be, and no matter how confusing at times such a listing tends to become. The trail has been blazed. . .it now remains for students to correlate their findings with the existing lists, that in the happy World of the Future (when we all wear wings, play harps, and own full sheets of Inverted Heads!) a perfect checklist may be achieved.

Next, we owe the good Doctor of Queen's Avenue a vote of thanks for tossing into the philatelic trashbox the legend of at least a half-dozen non-existent phonies against which Ole Bill has been wrangling for lo! these many months. Without going into details, we note with joy the absence of such items as the $2 Widow Weights with blue and purple controls, the monstrous "imperf-roulette" 2c War Tax, and many other like idiocies.

We view with pleasure the delightful introduction to the revenue section... .the inclusion of some Match Stamp impressions which will please a limited group of specialists. . .a painstaking analysis of the B.C. Laws. . .an equally laborious list-

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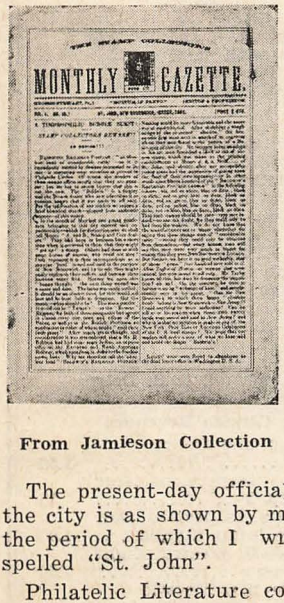

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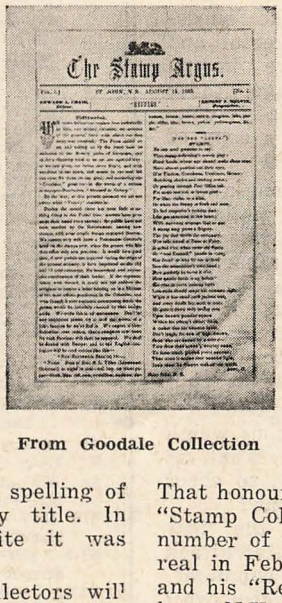

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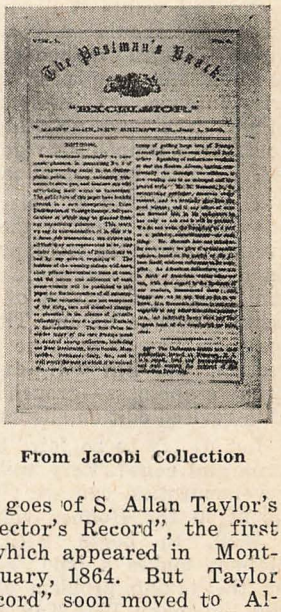

From Jacobi Collection

The present-day official spelling of the city is as shown by my title. In the period of which I write it was spelled "St. John".

Philatelic Literature collectors will quickly recognize the three Canadian stamp magazines illustrated with this number of "Popular Stamps". They represent an era in Canadian philately now no more than history. In that era St. John was one of the great ocean ports of the world and with vessels from all corners of the globe calling there it is not surprising that it was a unique centre for the collecting of stamps.

The great fire which visited St. John in June, 1877, was a serious setback to the city and one incident of the disaster was the destruction of many of the greatest collections of Canadian stamps. Even bank vaults where some or them were stored for safe-keeping melted before the flames.

It is interesting to note in passing that the best known history of the great fire was written by George Stewart, Jr., who also was the founder, publisher and editor of "The Stamp Collector's Monthly Gazette". The "Gazette" was not the first stamp magazine published in Canada. That honour goes of S. Allan Taylor's "Stamp Collector's Record", the first number of which appeared in Montreal in February, 1864. But Taylor and his "Record" soon moved to Albany, N.Y. and later to Boston, Massachussets.

"The Stamp Collector's Monthly Gazette" of St. John first appeared in June, 1865, running regularly for two years with a supplement appearing in 1868. It is the earliest strictly Canadian publication and the third oldest on this continent. "Stamp Argus" of St. John first appeared in the following month of July, 1865. "Postman's Knock" also of St. John made its bow in May, 1866.

George Stewart, Jr., the proprietor of the "Gazette" was a man of many parts. He ran a magazine of sterling character. Besides being a literary man he was also a chemist, auctioneer and commission merchant. He also collected and dealth in stamps. His later years were given over entirely to writing. The only picture I have seen of him appeared in Melville's Stamp Lover" in 1935. He is there shown regaled in a complete snowshoer's outfit.

"Stamp Argus" was produced by

Edward A. Craig and Robert J. Melvin. Almost simultaneously Craig and Melvin appeared as the "Proprietors" of "Baldwin's Railway Post", one of those discredited Canadian "Local" stamps (quite hard to get by the way). Stewart exposed the "Baldwin" in his magazine. And so it was, wrote the late John K. Tiffany (first president of The American Philatelic Society and dean of literature collectors) that personalities in stamp journalism began.

"Stamp Argus" has a somewhat spotty existence. It ran for only six issues. In its later numbers Craig and Melvin were joined by one, "Ridgeway Jones", as an associate editor. Jones was none less that S. Allan Taylor, whose checkered career is connected with "Stamp Collectors Record" (already referred to) and many other philatelic escapades in later years under various pseudonyms. Taylor was an expert at the promotion of fictitious stamps. Apparently the "Argus" and the "Baldwin" came to him in the same deal. I have some evidence that Taylor actually located in St. John between his sojurn in Montreal and his later flight to Albany. He soon dropped the "Argus" but took the "Baldwin" with him to Albany, where he passed it off as belonging to New Brunswick, New Jersey.

With the transfer or demise of the "Argus" Craig and Melvin apparently dissolved partnership. We hear no more of Melvin in connection with stamps although he lived into this century always being located in and around St. John.

In May, 1866, Craig brought out "Postman's Knock" under the name of the "Excelsior Stamp Association". This publication ran somewhat intermittently till March 1869. A title-page and index was issued in 1870 by the J. W. Scott Co. of New York. Craig, who was a law student, emigrated to San Francisco and died there in 1870.

"Stamp Collector's Chronicle", another stamp magazine of St. John, first appeared in 1872. It was the product of the "Foreign Stamp Depot" (Bruce), one of the many early St. John stamp concerns. It ran in two series to six issues.

The aforementioned magazines are some of the very scarcest of all American philatelic publications. This is due probably to the fact that their circulation was limited, that they are early efforts, and also to the great fire that would destroy any in existence in St. John.

One more name should be mentioned in passing. The "Colonial Stamp Advertiser" of St. John was probably nothing more than a prospectus, appearing about this time. In "The American Philatelist" of November 1892, I find Hiram E. Deats advertising for his magazine. Mr. Deats, who is still alive, has been unable to give me any additional information. This publication does not appear in the "Collectors Club List" published in "Popular Stamps" in October 1942 nor in any of E. B. Jones' check lists.

Further information on the various persons and publications mentioned heretofore may be obtained in the following:—

"Journal of The Philatelic Literature Society", London, Vol. 6 (1913) as to the "Gazette".

"Phanton Philately" Melville, London, 1923, page 26.

"Collectors Club Philatelist" New York, October, 1934.

"The Collector's Magazine" (Le Collectioneur) Quebec, Nov., 1934.

"Stamp Lover", Melville, London, August-Sept., 1935.

"Popular Stamps" Cobden, Ont., August, 1941.

"Stamps" New York, July 4, Dec. 5 and 12, 1942.

FORD CLUB BANQUET

The philatelists of the Ford Motor Co. of Canada are holding their first annual banquet at the Bellvue Hotel, Windsor, Ont., February 10th at 7 p.m. The banquet will be featured by a talk on Canadian Stamps by Dr. L. S. Holmes, noted philatelist from London, Ont., and author of "Holmes B.N.A. Handbook and Catalogue" recently published. Other noted philatelists are expected to be in attendance, including Charles Brisley, of Detroit.

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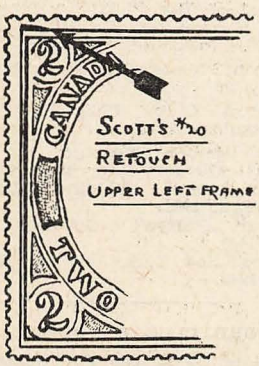

Sketch #116—Canada Scotts #20, the 2c rose of 1864 shows a heavy retouch at top of left horizontal frame line. Loaned by Vincent G. Greene.

Sketch #121—Great Britain Scotts #234, the Coronation stamp with variety semi-colon after numerals 12. Loaned by L. Pritchard.

Sketch #122—Jamaica Scotts #34 with variety missing letters V I in "serviet" in the author's collection.

In examining some stamps of the 2 cent denomination Canada Royal Visit issue it is noted that in some issue panes a portion of the bottom steps of the National Memorial design appears to have been cut off which may have been caused by improper alignment of the plate printing the colored portion of this stamp. I have not at the present time any access to glasses or measuring instruments but this difference is guite noticeable to the naked eye and in copies in possession of the writer is constant on plate No's. 1-1 and 2-1, both lower left panes, also on some used blocks.—E. A. Henning.

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An Autobiography

So Phil Atts last issue said the Editor doesn't tell much about himself! Well, as this issue begins his fifth year at the helm of P.S.—here goes: At a very early age he was born in Western Ontario. First few years rather hazy. At age of six, went to school; came home first night all beaten up, nice bloody nose, beautiful black eye—all because "Gentlemen don't fight", was mater's morning injunction. Surveying the wreck that night she revised the advice: "Gentlemen DON'T START fights—they finish them." We did—next day. Thus mothers make men; and wives make 'em or break 'em.

Above is us imitating a man hard at work

Never had a spare dollar—don't expect to. Raised on a farm I've seen the hogs hog around, the cows cow down, little lambzies eat ivy, as the song writer wrote. Have hoed corn and 'taters, beets and carrots. Fell in love at twelve. Criticized school teacher at thirteen for strapping a beginner. (Remembered my own first day). Result: Fired from school for balance of term. Returned at fourteen and picked up from there. Boyhood ambitions alternately: storekeeper, train engineer, (nearly said train robber), cowboy, detective, globe-trotter, politician, doctor, clergyman, musician, poet, or what have you. An early forebear may have been knighted in Ireland—we doubt it. Used to hang around printing offices —finally it "took". Married at twenty-four, the neighbours all marvelled. Collected stamps when a button—succumbed again thirty years later. Am six foot, one —longest printer in Ottawa Valley—sometimes the shortest. Tried living in city —like Great Outdoors better. Started business career sweeping the floors . . . now fifty-two—still sweeping floors. Never got anywhere . . . apparently. . . . Just holding my own.—McC.

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CHECKING OLD POST OFFICE NAMES

By Frank W. Campbell

Sorting out old postoffice names is a problem because the French and English name might be very dissimilar and not indexing closely—such as Riviere-du-Loup and Wolf River apply to the same place. If the same postmaster name for same year appears it is a great help. Then such cases as Sorel and William Henry occur, where the authorities vainly tried to use the English name and the natives kept addressing it to the name of Sorel—Sorel finally winning.

Chatham, Ont., was named Raleigh postoffice for first 25 years of its postal history, probably to not confuse with Chatham, in Two Mountains county, in Quebec.

There are six Centrevilles in Ontario in one Gazeteer I saw.

I have seen McGillivray post office spelled five different ways in postoffice directories.

There are four Maitland in another unofficial postoffice directory of 1848.

There are three places named Peel to mixup history in Ontario. Three Toronto's have existed in Ontario, two at same time—this being the reason "City of Toronto" is the inscription on the first postmark of present Toronto. "Toronto U. C." was the inscription on the other Toronto of same period, illustrated for 1840 date in Holmes new book on Canada on page 59.

So checking early postoffice lists needs a little ingenuity to be used. which makes it a very interesting pastime.

Our London scout reports Doc. Holmes, of the Victoria Stamp Co., is the owner of more gadgets than you'd find on the instrument board of a B-29. The latest is an enormous pair of goggles with magnifying glasses for lenses that make him look like the man from Mars. Never mind, Doc! Snow on the roof doesn't mean there's no fire in the furnace!

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CANADIAN TOPICS

BY PHIL ATTS.

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Under cover of envelope marked W. R. Adams, Toronto, I have received an old coin catalogue apparently the product of F. J. Grenny of Brantford. A page is marked for my attention showing prices paid by the publisher for Canadian stamps. The "bid" price for "Twelve Pence" on cover is One Hundred Dollars. In view of the fact that there are only about five in existence I don't imagine Mr. Grenny got many.

I also have been accused of writing "Tattletale" which would mean I am "Snoop". No soap fellas. My only name is "Phil". Sometimes I crack things off my own anvil. At other times I wield the scissors. Get behind me Satan with that poison pen.

For some years I have been receiving a most unusual series of Christmas cards from B. H. Homan, Jr. of New York (Homan & Krassa). These are beautifully done and always suggest philately. Christmas, 1944, depicts a sheet of stamps over which is superimposed a magnifying glass which brings out not only a historic scene but also that Mr. Homan wishes me a "Merry Christmas".

There are other ways of seeing the scarce Canadian items sold at the Pack sale by Harmer, Rooke & Co., besides buying the illustrated catalogue. The inserted plates with Howes book on "Canada" shows many of the same pieces. The author in his foreword acknowledges his debt to Charles Lathrop Pack of Lakewood, N.J.

And by the way, Howes' book was published in 1911. There is said to be a 1912 check list. Is this correct and was it separate from the book.

About Plate No. 3 of the current One Cent. Correspondents tell me I must have been having a pipe dream. Not so. When I tipped you to watch out for plate No. 3 it was unrecorded at the Philatelic Agency and denied by the Bank Note Co. Of course all that is changed now. Just how come I do not know.

Both Howes and Jarrett list the "Frist Day" for the Victoria booklet as June 11th, 1900. Now there's something. Who has one on a "First Day" cover? You must have the whole pane to prove it. What a hope.

I agree, Mr. Editor, that Walter Bayley is a pretty tart customer. Maybe he writes that snoopertale column. If not I'm sure he could. Why not give him a spot in your next issue and insist on a "Command Performance".

"The Whitehorse Star" with Yukon Airways and Exploration Company stamp attached has nothing on me, Mr. Bond. I've got a cover with a Klondike Airways and McGreely's Express nicely tied to cover from Mayo Landing, Yukon, with One Cent yellow coil (No. 126). Now fellas, don't start getting fussy and looking up dates.

G. P. Bainbridge, the well-known Vancouver dealer, advises me he has come across a Riel Essay on piece. I gladly furnished him with all the information I had but am still looking for more. Who can help? I have a theory as to the watermark reported by me a few months back. Has anyone else?

A year ago I published lists of "Presentation Booklets" held by myself and J. R. Barraclough, of Montreal. I can now state that these two lists combined show ALL the George V and George VI such booklets of general issue. There are, however, some others of limited issue. If you are interested further in these choice items read J. R. Barraclough in the last "BNA. TOPICS".

And so endeth the fourth year of columing for your humble deponent. What shall I say about it? One thing. It's a constant separating of the wheat from the chaff in my own small way. There are SO many things I would like to write about that editorial caution forbids. Probably fifty years from now columnists will be springing many of the things we know now. Thanks to all my correspondents for the letters, the news, the tips and the good wishes.

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28A	4	3p. Three copies, all good margins, black, brown, blue target cancel. See Jarrett page 379.
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30	6	12p clear margins, "SPECIMEN" in carmine, vert. on right side, fine.
31	7	10p blue, unused, original gum, narrow margin four sides, $300.
32	8	½p Rose, scarcely canc. nice margin 4 sides, superb, $17.50.
33	9	7½p Pale green, repaired, two corners missing.
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35	4	3p Red, design complete, Target canc. $6.
36	8	½p Rose, faint canc. cut inside line on left, $17.50.
37	11	½p Rose, PERF. unused, full gum, superb, $75.
38	12	3p Red PERF. close at one side and base, faint canc.
39	12	3p Red, PERF. nice margins on 3 sides, faint canc.
40	14	1c Rose. Faint canc. Perfect margins, $1.
41	14	1c deep Rose, fine, well cent. faint canc., $1.
42	14	1c Rose, five copies, av'ge, $5.
43	14	1c Rose, uncancelled, perf close at end.
44	14	1c Rose 2 Pairs Rose and deep Rose.
45	14	1c Rose 2 strips of 3, canc. pen or "Montreal".
46	15	5c Red, unused, O.G. superb. $6.50.
47	15	5c Red unused, O.G. perf. cut outer line at one end.
48	15	5c Red, fine, light canc., 65c.
49	15	5c Red 10 average copies nice canc., $6.50.
50	15	5c Red, 10 copies, slight defects.
51	15	5c Red pair, light canc.
52	15	5c Red vert. STRIP OF FIVE. light canc.
53	15	5c Red 2, four ring numeral canc. 22, 32.
54	17	10c Red Lilac, nice cent. light canc., $3.50.
55	17	10c Red Lilac, average copy.
56	17	10c Brown Purple, nice cent. light canc. Gibbons 35, $9.50.
57	17	10c same, average copy.
58	18	12½c yellow green, superb.
59	18	12½c blue green, average.
60	18	12½c 2 pairs yellow green vert; blue green, horiz. light canc.
61	18	12½c, five slightly defective copies.
62	19	17c blue, unused, fine, $37.50.
63	19a	17c slate blue, faint canc. $12.
64	19	17c blue, perf close on 4 sides, light canc., $8.50.
65	20	2c Deep Rose, light canc. $10.
66	20	2c Pale Rose, light canc., $10.
67	20	2c Rose, 3 copies, slight defects.
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69	15	5c Red, on blue cover, canc. light fine, Nov. 1866.
70	15	5c Red, nicely canc. Oct. 18, 1861.
71	15	5c Red PAIR, light canc. Oct. 18, 1861.
71A		5c Red pair, light canc. fine, Nov. 7, 1867.
72	17	10c Red Lilac, pen canc. fine cent. Sept. 9, 1867.
72A		10c Red Lelac pen canc. fine cent. Oct. 31, 1867.
73	17	10c Red Lilac, light canc.
74		10c Brown Purple, pen canc. fairly cent. May 25, 1866.
75		10c Brown Purple, nicely canc. dated.
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING

Take notice that the annual meeting of the Society will be held at the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, on Saturday, April 14, 1945, at 3.00 p.m.

Nomination for Directors (8) must be in writing, and in the hands of the Recording Secretary, W. J. Cafley, 201 Millwood Road, Toronto, at least thirty days before the date of annual meeting. Those nominated and nominating must be paid-up members on the records of the Society on or before the closing date of nominations, (March 14). After the closing of nominations, the Secretary will mail the list of nominees and proxy forms for voting purposes to those entitled to same. Instructions re the use of these proxies will accompany the same, and will also be published in the official organ of the Society "Popular Stamps".

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Please note the Recording Secretary's notice re nominations. You have opportunity here to exercise your just rights in naming the directors you wish to carry on for the new Season of 1945—1946.

It is with great pleasure we announce since November 28, 1944, the affiliations of the following:—The Calgary Philatelic Society, Border Stamp Club of Lloydminster, Sask., Ford Employee's Stamp Club of Windsor, Ont. and right hot off the griddle we hear of the Edmonton Club coming in with the usual four delegates and six additional members. The directors wish to thank all the clubs for your hearty response.

As we go into the last couple of months during this season the Directors and C.P.S. members must be well pleased with the year's progress. We have hit the 450 mark and the other few should not be "hard to get" with your closest co-operation.

CYRIL WOODHEAD, Pres.

LIBRARY NEWS

The latest addition to your Philatelic Library is the Stamp Specialist—"White Book". This the first of a new series which will make its appearance during the coming year.

Will members who have outstanding material belonging to the library, particularly handbooks, please return same to the Librarian as soon as possible. There are several lots which have been in members hands for quite some time, and are long overdue. Kindly take notice and return.—Herbert F. Nicolle, Librarian.

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WESTERN POSTAL HISTORY SIDELIGHTS

By J. F. Wilsdon

An epoch in the history of this country was the completion of the C. P. R. and the beginning of the Transcontinental Service. On the 28th of June, 1886, the first mail carried across the continent over all Canadian territory, left Montreal and arrived at Port Moody on the 4th of July.

Mr. Lemon, a former postmaster of Toronto, was then a clerk in the lowest grade of the Toronto Post Office staff and is responsible for the following information regarding the mail despatched for the West about that time.

Mr. Lemon states that in 1882, all mail for Manitoba and the North West Territories was despatched in small wooden boxes which were labelled "Windsor Despatch". This mail was forwarded from Windsor to Chicago and from the latter point to Winnipeg. The mails could not average more than 20 pieces in each despatch.

In 1884, the mail for Winnipeg and the West was handled and sorted in one pigeon-hole in a letter case. In 1885, when the North West Rebellion broke out, mail for the Canadian West had to be sent to Montreal to be forwarded by the uncompleted C.P.R. lines. From 1886 to 1891, the Toronto mail for the West was sent via Ottawa and at that time had grown to three bags.

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AUCTION ACTION

BY SIDNEY BIRD

CHARLES LATHROP PACK Collection, Part I; Harmer, Rooke Co., New York, Dec. 6-8, 13-15.

The Pack Sale is over. The Captains and the Kings depart, leaving about $175,000 with the auctioneer, and taking close to 1600 of the 2200-odd lots with them.

Among those present were Messrs. Burger, Cole, De Luca, Herst, Harmer, Lehman, Liechtenstein, Penfield, Anderson, Homan, Ward, Moore, Weiss, Friedl, Sissons (of Toronto), and Souren.

They allowed the mail bidders to get 610 lots, according to my tabulation, or about 28 per cent of them, which I'd say was most unusual, as one floor bidder alone, Y. Souren, bought over 200 lots, say 10 per cent of them, or one third as many, plus, as ALL the mail bidders.

This sale-series was a worthy companion to the Green series of Nov. 13-18, and the two sales made a total of over $350,000 between them, demonstrating conclusively several things: (1) New York is the premier auction mart of the world, (2) Harmer, Rooke Co. are evidently, as they claim, the leading auctioneers, (3) there's no limit to the amount of fine material that the American philatelist can absorb, (4) nor the prices he is willing to pay.

In addition it seems apparent, as I may have said before, that a successor to Ferrari, Hind, and other great buyers has arrived, this, of course, being Y. Souren of the Philatelic Research Laboratories, who will be remembered as having burst into the philatelic Kleig illumination in 1938 by chartering a long-distance telephone line to London, in order to talk to the W. H. Crocker Sale auctioneer.

Messrs. Harmer, Rooke Co. sent me a beautiful volume dealing with these sales of six years ago, and I notice that Mr. Souren paid £2500 for the block of 1869 24c inverts, which was a stupendous bargain, of course, and quite a sensation at the time. This, however, was completely eclipsed by his purchase of the block of eight of the 24c airmail invert in the recent Green sale, for $27,000, an American record, according to the N.Y. Herald Tribune. But Souren bought over $50,000 MORE from this auction, for a total of about $78,000, and these purchases, with those in Pack Sale and the Emerson Revenue Sale, reach a total of $151,000, so it looks as if Ferrari has arrived!

But the sale's the thing, and two of us have spent over two days in making notes and tabulations and reducing the engagement to something like order, which has been necessitated by the exceedingly unorthodox arrangement of the sale, as well as the immense number of lots, the numerous active floor bidders, and the great total involved.

The fact is, with the audience which faced the auctioneer, Walter S. Scott, it seems marvelous that mail bidders got ANYTHING, instead of the 28 per cent of the lots they did!

I am starting with the sales of the third day. Argentine and Brazil, as by doing this and cutting back to the first day, everything falls in alphabetic order (as it should) except Spain, which is left to the last, being a Vol. II country.

The first noteworthy offering in Argentine was a specialized collection of Nos. 1, 1a, 2, and 3, 594 stamps, with diagrams, descriptions, etc., bought by the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. for $140, a great bargain.

Among Rivadavias, I notice that a magnificent combination of Nos. 8 and 9 on piece sold for $250, or $45 above list. A 15c blue, No. 10, lot 719, brought $315. Three pairs and a strip of 3 of the 5c, No. 11b, were a gift at $28. So was the reconstructed block of 16 of No. 13 (blocks of 4 and 12) bought by Phil Ward for $130. A very beautiful mint copy of No. 15A brought $340, while superb copies of the 15c, No. 16, brought $290, $270, and $310 respectively. Outside of these exceptional items, it seems to me that the Rivadavias generally sold for very reasonable prices.

When the Brazilian portion of the sale commenced, so did the pyrotechnics. For years I have contended that the prices of early Brazil, as expressed in the catalog, are utterly ridiculous, and this sale shows it. The first lot, an unused 30r No. 1, listing $50, sold to H.R.H. for an even $200. He bought the next one, same stamp, for $130. A used copy, worn plate, list $25, went to Alfred F. Liechtenstein for $82.50. Three pairs sold to H.R.H. for $195, $180, and $220 respectively. He bought a block (lot 821) for $410. Another block somewhat damaged sold to a mail bidder for $300.

But the most unusual item in the sale, probably unique and not even known to exist, as far as most collectors are concerned, was the composite strip of 30r + 30r + 60r, said to be one of the gems of the entire Pack collection, a wonderful piece, believed to be monotypic, which sold for $6,250 to Mr. Souren. This was next to the highest price paid for any item in the sale, and after such an event, the rest of the bulls' eyes seem rather tame. However, it should be noted that numerous used 60r's sold for four to even ten times catalog, while 90r's both unused and used sold for two to five times cat., and a complete sheet of 18, with a number of defects, sold for $1600 to H.R.H.

Similar prices prevailed in all other issues, right up to 1899, especially among the "inclinados" or "sheeps' eyes" of 1844-46: an unused pair of the 180r No. 11 selling for $410, while a block of 8, used, got $875. Among Dom Pedros, a rouletted block of 4 of the 300r bistre, No. 75, got $52.50, over five times cat.! Messrs. de Luca, Newbury, and "H.R.H." were the principal buyers, only 30 lots of 167 going to mail bidders.

But the principal interest, as well as proceeds, of the series came from the Canadas, in the first day's session.

Mr. Pack, of course, was profoundly interested in Canada, and devoted much time as well as money to his outstanding collection, and prices in this sale amply justify his perspicacity, being like those of the early Brazils, mostly several times catalog.

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February Features . .

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AUCTION ACTION

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There were 208 lots of Canada in the sale, which brought a total, with 83 lots of Newfoundland, of $50,361, about 30 per cent of the total for six days.

Two No. 1's, lots 1 and 2, went to Souren at $42 and $51. He bought a vertical strip of four for $230. Of No. 2 he bought seven copies, from $59 to $132.50 individually. The stamp lists $35. He also bought a couple of pairs, $75 and $135. He bought a strip of three of the 6d slate-violet, No. 2, for $525. And right after that he purchased the pride of Mr. Pack's heart, the vertical mint pair of the 12-penny black, for $7500, the top price of the sale. In fact, he bought 52 lots of Canada for $18,358, including lot 41, 3d brown-red mint, vertical pair, for $1000; lot 63, 6d greenish black, mint, for $750; and lot No. 106, 7½d pale green, vertical mint pair, for $1300.

The cataloger mentions the fact that vertical pairs are far scarcer than horizontal pairs, which is indeed true, in the ratio of about ten to one, and this will explain some of the unusual prices obtained for such pieces. Collectors generally do not appreciate this fact—not until they begin to specialize and try to plate some imperforate or other!

Messrs. Davenport, Hinkson, Liechtenstein, Anderson, and Sissons, among others, bought a large number of Canada lots, and I notice especially that Mr. Sissons bought lot 81, a beautiful mint pair of the 10d blue, No. 7, for $725. It lists $600. He also bought lot 103, a used block of SIX of the ½d rose on ribbed paper, for $475: lists $420. Spencer Anderson bought lot 111, a marvelous mint copy of the 6d No 10, for $535, and Alfred Liechtenstein bought lot 130, a 6d grey-violet on a letter sheet (list $125) for just exactly $625! Mr. Hinkson, I note, paid $560 for an imperforate block of the 17c, No. 19b, really a marvelous piece, which lists $500, mint, of course.

But as the average price for ALL the lots of Canada and Newfoundland was about $175, it is easy to see that merely average lots are just that, in a tabulation of this kind!

Among the Newfoundlands, Souren bought a 2d sctrlet-vermilion, list $350, for $510, while Hinkson bought an unused 4d scarlet-vermilion for $310. Souren bought another one, used, for $400—twice catalog. He paid similarly for a 1/- scarlet-vermilion: $2000 or twice list. Brigham bought the 8d scarlet-vermilion bisect on cover to the U.S., $725, against a cat. of $400. This item is accompanied by a 3d, to make the 7d rate. Alfred Iiechtenstein paid just $1300 for the finest existing copy of the 1/- scarlet-vermilion: it lists $350. Mail bidders got 42 lots of the Canadas and Newfoundland, or less than 14 per cent, half of their average on the rest of the sale. If anything is more apparent than anything else, it is that ALL catalog prices of Canada and Newfoundland need drastic revision UPWARD.

(Conclusion of this review next issue)

SOME EDITORIAL DIFFICULTIES

In the last two months, among other clerical duties, we have had occasion to write eleven letters to informed persons on the subjects being queried asking them to clear some point for editorial purposes which would only have taken a few minutes to answer. Three answered with desired information,, five ignored our letters and three answered as regular correspondents but studiously avoided giving any information on our queries. This is no new experience, as we have run into it before, to the delay of material to publish which had to await our clearing of the point on our own. As mentioned before we do believe that stamp collecting besides creating acquisitiveness in many, also engenders a selfish spirit of "I've got it—you haven't, so try digging it up yourself or do without."

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132	2c	carmine perf 12 horiz.	.20
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152	4c	1928	.05
158	50c	Bluenose	.80
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198	4c	Medallion	.10
202	5c	Postal Union	.07
204	5c	Royal William	.07
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We had an enthusiastic meeting of the Winnipeg Philatelic Society for the 36th Annual Meeting. The following were elected: President, Capt. Wm. H. Talbot; Vice-President, Dr. W. L. Gordon; 2nd Vice-President, Mr. Nat Froomkin; Secretary, Mr. B. G. Warner; Treasurer, Mr. Ian H. Drennan.

Regarding last issue our monthly message was overlooked in the holiday rush. It might be noted that regardless of increase in subscription, the Winnipeg memebers are still 100% behind Popular Stamps.

Display of Jan. 19th, was by retiring President, Mr. A. B. Cumming, on the Stamps of Soviet Russia from 1933. Very excellent display, with interesting notes on the various issues, regarding, industries, buildings, commemoratives etc.

Our Club collection is increasing, and is now in capable hands of Messrs T. L. Miller, and H. W. Godard. An excellent addition was recent;y made by the gift of a collection of South American stamps from Mr. A. B. Cumming. Donations from out-of-town members will be welcome.

If you are not receiving your Popular Stamps regulary please advise the Secretary, as our files are being revised, and brought up-to-date.

Mr. V. C. Grant displayed a portion of his foreign collection on Jan. 26.

Program for February and March follows:—

Feb. 2—Dr. Murray Campbell (Br. Cols.)
" 9— — — — —
" 16—Mr. L. A. Yager.
" 23—Round table discussion on catalogues.
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" 16—Col. C. R. Hawkins.

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SALVADOR—Two stamps, one an air mail, 8 and 30 centavos overprinted.

VENEZUELA—Commemorative air mail issue of 7 stamps.

The Grand River Valley Philatelic Association meeting on January the 16th was the largest attended meeting for some time, as most of the members were snowed in for the December meeting. Mr. Bert L. Baulch of Brantford reviewed "Holmes Handbook and Catalogue on Canada and British North America Stamps." Following his discourse, the usual trading period saw many stamps change hands in the busiest session the association has held.

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The affirmative was taken by the S. C. of H. with R. Westland and Ed. Goodale. The negative was taken by the H. P. S. with Roy Woodhouse and Harold Humby. Westland opened the debate with a strong lawyer's swing on the side of profit. He made the pleas that no one would collect stamps today as an adult if it were not for the profit in rising value of the best stamps. Roy Woodhouse followed for the negative and cleverly pulled down much of Westland's arguments, then added many reasons why people collected for pleasure, even if there were profit in some stamps. He stressed the schoolboy's collecting of stamps for the sake of accumulating as many different stamps as he could afford and at a minimum expense. There were 20,000,000 collectors in America against 40,000 dealers, and 20 million collectors can't be wrong.

Ed. Goodale on the affirmative side gave very good points. He stressed at auctions a collector often would buy stamps he already had and hold them for an advance in years to come. Harold Humby for the negative told how the late King George V and President Roosevelt collected for pleasure, and to this argument there was no comeback.

The judges counted and compared points and gave the verdict to the negative or "Pleasure" side, though they declared the points were very close. Prizes were then awarded by the C.P.S.

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But now let us skip to the debit side and offer Dr. Holmes a few suggestions for his next edition? Okay. . .let's!

FIRST ISSUE BILLS: Please, Dr. Holmes, what is this new discovery, FE1, "Broken E in one"? Your 1940 catalogue listed it, "Fig. 1 broken". . .the CRS says, "Broken O in one". . .Jarrett says they all exist. . .and we utterly confewzed! Ole Bill has seen scads of these crudely stereotyped First Issue Bills and—frankly—he thinks none of the so—called "varieties" are worth a tinker's dam. Let's junk this one, eh?

THIRD ISSUE BILLS: A bad boner here, the result of following the faltering footsteps of our forefathers. No one has yet successfully proven to Ole Bill the existence of the "11½x12 perf on pelure paper", so blandly listed by all catalogu-ists. Unless you can produce a copy. . . just one teensy-weensy copy of any denomination, how about cutting this list down to three colyums? Also, let's junk FB37a, 39a, 44a, and all similar minor varieties that to include a trifling few is to beg an issue. Ole Bill would also suggest a price rise on the 20c and 30c laid papers, which are as rare as the laid papers on the Large Cents issues.

CHECK STAMPS: Scant improvement over previous lists. FCH1 and 3 unverified, the FCH4—7 group incomplete.

CUSTOMS DUTY: FCU9a, an alleged coil, does not exist.

ELECTRIC LIGHT: FE7 dooes not exist; the listing on FE9—16 needs violent revision, as it errors in both varieties and values.

EXCISE STAMPS: A pretty good job done here of casting out some phonies, but why list FEX60A as "perf 8½ hor."? This is perf 11, like the 2c and 3c coils. Booklet panes are priced too low in this series, and the series is scarcely numbered with sufficient elasticity to allow for the inclusion of the new Excise stamps being issued (apparently) monthly!

THRIFT STAMPS: A major error in evaluation sets the $5 War Savings Stamp of World War 1 at $20.00! There are only five known copies of this stamp (making it four times as rare as the $300 "inverted head"), and only one copy has ever changed hands. The sale price of this, more than one year ago, was $185 U.S. funds! Perhaps Dr. Holmes meant $200, here, instead of $20? However, I will pay $1 for each and every copy of the 25c FT1 my readers will send me!

These are but a few notes made on a first inspection of our new revenue catalogue. Bill Stamp will come through with more comments from time to time, and will attempt to answer any queries written in by readers. He also offers his services to Dr. Holmes for the promised second edition of this important contribution to Canadian philately.

It is probably too late to urge youse guys and gals to go get yourself a copy of this book if you have not already done so. But if you missed the boat on this edition, better write now—right now—to Dr. Holmes and put yourself on the waiting list for the second edition. You've just got to have it!

FAMOUS STAMPS SHOWN

Three albums from the world-famous collection of A. F. Lichtenstein, noted New York philatelist were shown to members of the Ottawa Philatelic Club at the Chateau Laurier January 25th. Scheduled to be present at the function, Mr. Lichtenstein was unable to make the trip due to illness. The collection, comprising early Canadian stamps, along with a very fine collection of early Swiss stamps, was brought to Ottawa by C. B. Fieldhouse of Montreal, to whom they were sent for the occasion by Mr. Lichtenstein. The stamps were shown to the Ottawa philatelists by Colin H. Bayley and A. H. Ward. Following the showing, a stamp auction was conducted by W. G. Beddoe. T. Preston Hackett, president, was in the chair.

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C-S D-A

Reported—that publisher's price has been undercut by some west coast dealers on Holmes Book on Canada and B.N.A.—however, we figure the sales were between dealers passing on the trade discount. But! Ever hear that the Jarrett 1929 book was marketed by one dealer at a near $2.00 cut on publisher's price? Well, it was—at $4.50. Try and get one now at less than $25.00!

Customers of "Miss Cole" (Margaret I. Cole) formerly of Nova Scotia, but more recently of Renfrew, Ont., will be interested in the happy announcement of her marriage—to Flying Officer H. J. Robbins, formerly of Dalhousie University, on Dec. 31st, ult. Her philatelic interest and stock has been passed oved to her "junior partner" who will do limited sales under the registered name of "Colony Stamps".

Dealer Norm Goodger has recently joined the assessing staff of the Inspector of Income tax at the London office, says our London scout. After a few range-finding shots to determine Norm's boiling point (if any), his fellow assessors have settled down to a drum-fire as to what's going to happen to his income tax return, if it doesn't show a nice profit for his philatelic activities!

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